

## QUICK TAKES

Despite its recent Emmy win as best drama, ABC's legal drama **"The Practice"** got off to only a so-so start to open its third season at 10 p.m. Sunday, finishing behind movies on CBS and NBC. The news was better for ABC Friday, as **"Two of a Kind"**—featuring Mary Kate and Ashley Olsen—premiered with a first-place finish in the 8 p.m. time slot once occupied by the twins' last show, "Full House." . . . Singer **Johnny Cash** has pneumonia again, less than a year after nearly dying from the ailment. Cash, 66, has been getting treatment at Baptist Hospital for about a week and is doing "real well," a hospital spokeswoman said. Cash also suffers from Shy-Drager syndrome, a progressive disease that can cause blackouts, tremors, stiff muscles and difficulty moving. . . . Teen star **Jonathan Taylor Thomas** will chat on the Internet at 4 p.m. today (at <http://www.celebritysightings.com>) about his final episode of ABC's **"Home Improvement,"** airing tonight at 8 on ABC. . . . Cable's Lifetime Television has renewed its three original prime-time series, **"Any Day Now,"** **"Maggie"** and **"Oh Baby,"** for the entire season. The shows have boosted the network's ratings significantly since their August premieres. . . . **Halle Berry** begins production today as the title character in HBO's upcoming movie biography of legendary black actress **Dorothy Dandridge.**

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